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1. MILITARY GOVERNOR OF AZORES, ALTINO AMADEO PINTO MAGALHAES, ADDRESSED AZOREAN PEOPLE OVER PONTA DELGADA RADIO AT 23:00 LOCAL.

2. HE PROMISED CENTRAL GOVERNMENT STUDY OF FOLLOWING QUESTIONS: ESTABLISHMENT OF SINGLE NATIONAL PRICE FOR AGRICULTURAL INPUTS SUCH AS FERTILIZER, REVISION OF FREIGHT CHARGES BETWEEN CONTINENT AND AZORES, DIRECT IMPORTATION OF FOREIGN ORIGIN RAW MATERIALS TO AZORES WITHOUT REQUIREMENT THAT THEY BE FIRST LANDED IN LISBON,

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DIRECT EXPORT OF AZOREAN PRODUCTS TO FOREIGN MARKETS, EXPANSION OF AGRICULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL CREDIT IN ARCHIPELAGO, REVISION OF BASIC ADMINISTRATIVE STATUTES OF AUTONOMOUS DISTRICTS OF AZORES AND MADEIRA. GOVERNOR PROMISED ACTION ON THESE ISSUES WITHIN THREE MONTHS.

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3. MAGALHAES SAID THAT MINISTER OF INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION

PRESENTLY STUDYING QUESTION OF NOMINATION NEW PONTA DELGADA DISTRICT CIVIL GOVERNOR. HE RAISED POSSIBILITY THAT MINISTER WOULD COME TO PONTA DELGADA TO INSTALL GOVERNOR.

4. MAGALHAES NOTED CONTINUED PRESENCE IN PONTA DELGADA OF GROUPS ATTEMPTING ORGANIZE DEMONSTRATIONS IN SUPPORT OF INDEPENDENCE. HE ASSERTED THAT AZOREAN PEOPLE "PATRIOTIC AS BEST"; CALLED ON GROUPS TO CEASE ACTIVITIES IMMEDIATELY OR FACE CONSEQUENCES. HE ALSO SAID MEASURES WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THOSE MAKING THREATENING PHONE CALLS (READ EXTREME LEFTISTS).

5. MILITARY GOVERNOR CONCLUDED ADDRESS WITH APPEAL FOR POPULAR "FAITH IN" SOLDIERS, WHO, HE SAID, WOULD TAKE WHATEVER STEPS NECESSARY TO ASSURE SAFETY OF POPULATION AS A WHOLE.
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